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Appointment of Development Commissioner.

* 25 *Q.*—ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR: Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government are about to appoint a Development Commissioner;

(*b*) if so, the name of the officer;

(*c*) his special qualifications;

(*d*) whether he will be a full-time officer;

(*e*) the scope of his functions;

(*f*) the status and salary of the officer; and

(*g*) whether the post was advertised for?

THE HON SRI T. PRAKASAM:—" (*a*) There is a proposal under consideration of the Government to create a post of a Development Commissioner.

" (*b*) & (*c*) An officer will be selected as soon as the post is created.

" (*d*) Details have not been settled yet.

" (*e*) He will be charged with the task of planning, organizing and supervising the execution of schemes relating to rural development in this Province.

" (*f*) He will be a senior civilian of the status of a Member of the Board of Revenue and will draw pay in the scale appropriate to his status.

" (*g*) No."

ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR:—" May I ask why is it that for such an important post the Government do not advertise?"

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM:—" In the opinion of the Government, this is not a post which should be advertised for, because there are persons in service who are well-fitted to take the place and serve soon after the selection is made."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO:—" May I know whether there are any rules as to what posts should be filled by advertisement and what posts by promotion?"

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM:—" So far as the present office is concerned, it is not a case for which any advertisement should be made. As regards other offices for which advertisement may be called for, a separate question may be put and answer will be given."

Exemption from the Weekly Holidays Act.

* 26 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Weekly Holidays Act (1942) is in force in respect of all undertakings including firms, shops, etc.;

(*b*) whether there are any establishments who have on representation been exempted from the operation of the provisions of the Act; and